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In New York, all prices were unchanged when compared to Thursday's values. Elsewhere, prices were higher on all sizes. Trade sentiment was mostly steady entering the week. Demand into all channels ranged light to good. Supplies were in balance to close for large and noted as usually adequate to fully adequate on the balance. Breaking stock offerings were limited for the moderate demand. Light type hens were mostly adequate to about adequate for the fair to fairly good demand. Processing schedules were reported as regular for the week.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered prices were higher for all sizes.

Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for large and medium and were unchanged for small. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to at times good with many retail features noted. Food service sales were light to moderate. Supplies were in balance to close for large and usually adequate to fully adequate for the balance. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent higher. Offerings were light for the moderate demand. Most breaking stock was still going into the graded market. Floor stocks were tight. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61-70	64-67	LARGE	42-51	46
LARGE	60-69	62-65	MEDIUM	33-39	37
MEDIUM	51-60	53-56	SMALL	18-22	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to last week's values. Trade sentiment was mostly steady to at times fully steady. Demand into all channels was moderate to good. Supplies were generally adequate for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were limited for normal to reduced schedules. Demand was noted as moderate. Spent hen offerings were mostly adequate to about adequate for regular processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69-83	71-75
LARGE	64-78	69-73
MEDIUM	56-69	61-63

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to good with features moving product well. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were in balance to close for large and usually adequate to fully adequate for the balance. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent higher. Offerings were light for the moderate demand. Most extra breaking stock was still going into the graded market. Floor stocks were tight. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	73.5-82	75-78
LARGE	72.5-81	74-77
MEDIUM	57.5-66	59-62

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to last week's prices. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were generally sufficient for present trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were limited for normal to less than normal breaking schedules. Light type hens were mostly adequate to about adequate for the fair to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	70-79	73-76
LARGE	66-70	71-74
MEDIUM	56-66	59-63

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were on extra large, large and medium were unchanged when compared to last Thursday's values. Trade sentiment was at least steady. Retail and distributive demand was mostly moderate to good. Supplies were generally adequate for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	78-82
LARGE	76-80
MEDIUM	68-72

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	68-76	69-71
LARGE	66-74	67-69
MEDIUM	57-65	58-60

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

WESTERN Prices 2 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 3 cents higher on large, and 2 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 5% lower than last Monday with California down 6% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 3%. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices 2 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 3 cents higher on large, and 2 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 6% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand good. Offerings and supplies adequate. Small benchmark price 77.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	119
EXTRA LARGE	115
LARGE	107
MEDIUM	97

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
	RANGE	RANGE
JUMBO	259-329	JUMBO
EXTRA LARGE	229-309	EXTRA LARGE Not
LARGE	199-229	LARGE Available
MEDIUM	189-199	MEDIUM

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending November 18, 2005 will decrease by 11 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending November 11, 2005 were 316,893 cases which was 15 percent above the prior week and 1 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	277,684	39,209	316,893
% change from the prior week.....	+17	0	+15

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent higher. Offerings were light for the moderate demand. Most breaking stock was still going into the graded market early this week. Breakers needing product were waiting as they anticipate more product being offered for sale later in the week. Floor stocks were tight. Trade sentiment was steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	36-40	38
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	26-30	26-28
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate for usually adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were seasonal good. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment and values were expected to remain constant.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.75 CENTS/LB.	12-13	12.25

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was generally fair at best for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady to about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15.5 CENTS/LB.	12-13	12.67
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- NOVEMBER 14, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific
Jumbo	Curr Wk	13.0	17.0	9.1	13.3	12.2
	Change	0.7	-2.5	-1.0	-1.5	0.7
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	34.8	55.9	16.1	22.6	40.9
	Change	6.9	-1.3	-2.0	-7.8	-3.1
Large	Curr Wk	47.5	130.1	86.1	95.8	110.7
	Change	11.9	-3.6	-19.6	-19.8	-11.8
Medium	Curr Wk	13.7	45.5	19.3	23.6	31.7
	Change	0.7	-1.5	0.1	0.0	4.9
Small	Curr Wk	3.7	5.5	1.6	3.6	3.1
	Change	-1.0	-0.5	0.1	0.5	0.9
Misc	Curr Wk	2.9	27.3	10.2	15.1	4.3
	Change	-1.2	1.2	1.0	2.2	-0.9
Ungraded	Curr Wk	14.1	37.0	27.5	24.2	28.5
	Change	-5.1	-4.6	-5.8	1.1	-2.6
Total	Curr Wk	129.7	318.3	169.9	198.2	231.4
Percent	Change	11%	-4%	-14%	-11%	-5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1047.5	-6%	169
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	214.6	-3%	35
Total Shell Egg	1262.1	-5%	204

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 169 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31, 2005

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.88	1.85	1.76	1.16

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 31, 2005 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.42	1.42	1.32	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 11, 2005

CURRENT LOADS 6.25								FUTURE LOADS 9.00		TOTAL LOADS 15.25						
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	—	—	50.50	52.00	—	—	5.00	GL W J	62.50	—	—	—	—	68.00	.25	
GL W XL	—	—	61.00	63.00	—	—	2.00	GL W XL	56.50	—	—	—	—	62.00	.25	
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	51.44	—	4.25	GL W LG	54.50	60.00	—	—	—	60.00	4.75	
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W MD	—	—	48.00	—	—	53.00	1.00	

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 11/07/05-11/11/05

CURRENT LOADS 56.00								FUTURE LOADS 93.00		TOTAL LOADS 149.00						
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	39.50	56.71	50.00	52.43	45.43	39.00	38.00	GNR W 1	66.00	60.13	—	—	—	66.67	8.00	
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	81.00	—	—	1.00	GL W J	62.50	—	—	—	—	68.00	.25	
GL W J	—	—	62.50	64.00	—	—	1.50	GL W XL	56.50	—	—	57.75	—	57.08	4.50	
GL W XL	—	66.00	60.50	60.92	44.08	—	35.00	GL W LG	54.50	63.28	—	66.42	66.00	62.86	26.75	
GL W LG	—	65.62	57.50	59.67	47.85	60.80	36.00	GL W MD	46.62	53.10	48.00	53.00	—	53.37	14.25	
GL W MD	—	—	46.50	50.00	40.21	—	9.75	GL BR LG	—	—	—	91.75	85.00	—	1.00	
GL W SM	36.00	39.25	37.50	39.00	—	—	3.00	NRBS - 48	—	40.25	—	—	—	—	8.00	
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	42.71	40.33	37.00	NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	37.00	2.00									

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	11/07/05	10/31/05	10/25/04
PACIFIC COAST	141	137	679
LOS ANGELES	135	135	650

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is moderate to good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	89.86
LARGE	88.86
MEDIUM	76.86
SMALL	58.00

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